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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of: Alexander Stenzel	)	
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Serial No.: 10/036,341	)	Examiner: UNKNOWN
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Confirmation No.: 3315	)	
	)	Art Unit: 2873
Filed: December 26, 2001	)	
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For: Vehicle Mirror Mounting Apparatus and	)	
Method for Assembling Same	)	

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
Box Amendment  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Please enter the following Preliminary Amendment in the above-captioned application before examining the application on the merits:

**IN THE SPECIFICATION**

Please replace the first paragraph of the section entitled "Background of Invention" on page 1 of the Specification with the following paragraph (a marked-up copy of originally filed page 1 of the Specification is attached).

**--BACKGROUND OF INVENTION**

Different arrangements are known for mounting external mirrors on vehicles. On large, commercial vehicles, such as trucks and busses, mirrors are often secured within mirror housings mounted

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